

Docket No. GFP108US

H1246

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re **PATENT** application of:

Applicant: Marufa Kaniz et al

Application No.: 10/816,661

For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR PASSING INITIALIZATION
VECTOR INFORMATION FROM SOFTWARE TO HARDWARE
TO PERFORM IPSEC ENCRYPTION OPERATION

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Examiner: Bayou, Yonas A

Art Unit: 2434

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW IN RESPONSE TO
EXAMINER INTERVIEW DATED MAY 28, 2010**

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Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully
requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 8-12, and 14-23 are pending.

I. STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW

An interview was conducted on May 28, 2010, between applicant's representative, Thomas G. Eschweiler, and Examiner Yonas Bayou, regarding the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief dated May 3, 2010. Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for making himself available to discuss issues relating to the pending application.

In the interview, applicant's representative asked whether some type of error may exist, since claims 1-6, 8-12 and 14 have been deemed allowable, while claims 15-23 remain rejected, despite the fact that the arguments proffered for the patentability of such claims are the same. It was argued by the applicant that if claims 1-6, 8-12 and 14 are allowable for at least one of the reasons set forth in the Pre-Appeal Brief, then claims 15-23 should be allowable for at least the same reason. The applicant was encouraged to submit an Appeal Brief to determine whether this issue was resolvable at the time of the Examiner's Answer. Therefore no agreement was reached in the interview.

II. CONCLUSION

For at least the above reasons, the claims currently under consideration are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Should any fees be due as a result of the filing of this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account Number 50-1733, GFP108US.

Respectfully submitted,
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